

*“Nothing is more important to me and school staff than giving your child, and all students in the District, the best opportunity to learn, grow and succeed.”*



Dr. Mary Alice Heuschel  
Superintendent  
Renton School District



**R**enton School District students are challenged to perform at high academic standards, are exposed to a multitude of cultures and languages, have ample access to teachers, and are nurtured with a clear awareness of their part of the larger world.

Classes at all levels are academically rigorous and managed by highly qualified teachers who challenge students to do their best work. Renton teachers foster in each student a desire to learn, the habits of an intellectual life, and the character and qualities of leadership to serve and shape their world.

The Renton School District employs a system-wide approach to teaching and learning. Through this process, our teachers and staff are better prepared to offer meaningful classroom instruction; and, leadership throughout our school system is better able to use and interpret data to drive decision making, plan professional development, build teacher knowledge and skills, and help all children—those who need additional help and those who need to be challenged—succeed now and into the future.

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Launching Learning to Last a Lifetime

# RENTON SCHOOL DISTRICT



## Elementary Schools (13 Elementary Schools; Early Childhood Learning Center)

### PREPARING CHILDREN IN PRESCHOOL-GRADE 5

Instruction in elementary schools target basic skills mastery in reading, writing, language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, health, fine arts and physical education. Offerings include preschool, all-day kindergarten, gifted, English as a Second Language, Special Education and more.

Each elementary school has its own unique features and personality. In addition to basic education, students are provided many opportunities for enrichment. Creative classroom teachers enhance learning using art, music, crafts and the environment to teach core subjects. Guided by teachers, students use technology to enhance their learning experiences.

### HIGHLY-QUALIFIED TEACHERS

Renton teachers have appropriate degrees and certifications, and demonstrate mastery in their subjects. They show proven results based on student performance and are involved in continuous individualized professional development and evaluation.

### TECHNOLOGY

Thanks to voter support, every teacher in the district is equipped with technology that is used to support and enhance student learning. These tools, techniques, and applications support integrated, inquiry-based learning to engage students in exploring, thinking, reading, writing, researching, inventing, problem-solving, and experiencing the world.

### SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Thanks to voter support, school buildings throughout the district are in excellent condition. Renton is the only district in the state to have completely rebuilt all of its 13 elementary schools over the past 15 years as well as make improvements at other schools. All construction projects have been professionally managed and completed on time and on budget.

## Middle Schools (3 Middle Schools)

### PREPARING STUDENTS IN GRADES 6-8

Renton's middle schools serve students in 6-8 grades, giving students the nurturing, structure, and guidance they need, while also preparing them for the transition to high school. Our middle schools provide a strong academic program for students transitioning from childhood to adolescence.

Teaching strategies and instructional materials used in middle schools maximize opportunities for every student to build on basic skills learned in elementary school while exploring areas of special interest and developing positive attitudes, motivation and respect for her/his community. Courses offered at middle school include language arts, reading, pre-algebra, algebra, science, computer/technology, social studies, band, orchestra, and athletics. Students also enjoy after-school homework help and special-interest clubs.

## High Schools (3 High Schools; 2 Alternative High Schools; Virtual Academy; H.O.M.E. program)

### PREPARING STUDENTS IN GRADES 9-GRADUATION

Our high schools prepare students for college, vocational-technical, university, and the world of work. Students graduate ready to enter higher learning institutes, or, if inclined, with skills that take them from the classroom to the world of work. Renton students also participate in community service, fine arts and athletics: all very important in college admission and in becoming a well-rounded adults.

Renton's high schools offer solid core academics: Advanced Placement (AP) courses, American government, anthropology, biology, bioethics, chemistry, choir, computer design, contemporary world issues, drama, economics, French, geometry, German, health, history (U.S./ world), Japanese, journalism, language arts, music, orchestra, physical fitness, physics, psychology, robotics, Spanish, speech/debate, technology, and much more.

